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Freddy Reinhardt came around at nine this morning with a message from Al Gruenther respecting his lunch with General Koenig today. I said I thought Al should firmly endorse as American policy the recent utterances of Spaak and Adenauer on EDC -- namely, the only alternative was the reconstitution of a German national army. This, announced by Adenauer a couple of days ago in pungent terms, has at least the merit of illustrating to the French the full extent of their isolation on the EDC issue.

Art Hartman came up later with th accumulated cables. It does not appear as if the Italians would debate the treaty before their parliamentary recess. They allege they can only do so after the Trieste problem has been settled. We have done our utmost to get them to act, but to no avail.

There was no sun this afternoon, but at conventional yard arm time the Wolcott Blairs, Marian Hall, Dick and Alice Lee Meyers, Rose Chambers and Gracie Ryan took liquids with us.

Today was an American holiday in Paris.

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